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For: DRIVING APPARATUS EQUIPPED WITH MOTOR AND DECELERATING MECHANISM

AMENDMENT

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Non-Final Office Action of 23 October 2003, amendment to the above-identified patent application is requested.

The present amendment comprises the following sections:

- A. Amendments to the Claims; and
- B. Remarks.

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